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PATENT APPLICATION OF
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TITLE: 1 α -HYDROXYVITAMIN D₅,
ITS SYNTHESIS AND USE
IN CANCER PREVENTION
AND THERAPY

Group No. 1616

Examiner: Badio

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RESPONSE

Sir/Madame:

Applicants have carefully studied the Examiner's remarks and cited references in the Office Action dated April 10, 2000 (Paper No. 19) and request reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks. A Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for two months is submitted herewith with payment of the appropriate fee.

REMARKS

Status of the Application

Claims 1-19 are pending. Claims 7-9 have been withdrawn from consideration as directed to a separate invention. Claims 1-6 and 10-19 stand rejected.

Section 103 Rejections

In the Final Office Action mailed September 9, 1999 in the parent case, the Examiner alleged that the claimed compound,